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1. BOTH WHITE HOUSE AND DEPARTMENT HAVE RESPONDED TO REQUEST OF CHAIRMAN MORGAN OF HOUSE COMMITTEE ON INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS (FORMERLY FOREIGN AFFAIRS) FOR COMMENTS ON H. RES. 313 (REFTEL). TEXT OF WHITE HOUSE LETTER WILL UNCLASSIFIED

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BE SENT BY SEPTEL. TEXT OF DEPARTMENT LETTER SIGNED BY

ASSISTANT SECRETARY MCCLOSKEY FOLLOWS BELOW.

- 2. "DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: THANK YOU FOR SENDING THE SECRETARY A COPY OF YOUR LETTER OF MARCH 17 TO THE PRESIDENT REQUESTING COMMENTS ON THE RESOLUTION OF INQUIRY, H.RES. 313.
- 3. -AS BACKGROUND INFORMATION IN THIS MATTER, I ENCLOSE COPIES OF ALL COMMUNICATIONS EXCHANGED BETWEEN CONGRESSMAN STARK AND THIS DEPARTMENT REGARDING THE WELFARE OF U.S. CITIZENS IMPRISONED IN MEXICO. IN ADDITION TO PROVIDING THIS INFORMATION TO CONGRESSMAN STARK, THE SAME INFORMATION HAS ALSO BEEN SENT TO CHAIRMAN PETER W. RODINO, JR. OF THE HOUSE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE. WE ARE GREATLY CONCERNED BY THE SERIOUS CHARGES, COMPLAINTS AND ALLEGATIONS BEING MADE, AND, AS THE CORRESPONDENCE INDICATES, WE ARE MAKING EVERY

EFFORT TO BE RESPONSIVE IN PROVIDING INFORMATION TO CONGRESSMAN STARK AND TO OTHER MEMBERS OF CONGRESS REGARDING CASES IN WHICH THEY EXPRESS INTEREST.

- 4. "A GREAT DEAL HAS BEEN DONE AND IS BEING DONE BY THIS DEPARTMENT AND OUR EMBASSY AND CONSULAR POSTS IN MEXICO TO INSURE THAT OUR CITIZENS IMPRISONED IN MEXICO ARE GIVEN ALL APPROPRIATE CONSULAR PROTECTION. IT IS IMPORTANT TO PURSUE INVESTIGATION OF THE CASES IN WHICH CHARGES OF ILLEGAL ACTS BY MEXICAN AUTHORITIES OR INADEQUATE PROTECTION HAVE BEEN MADE. TO THIS END WE HAVE REQUESTED CONGRESSMAN STARK TO MAKE AVAILABLE TO US COPIES OF ALL DOCUMENTS IN HIS POSSESSION MAKING SUCH ALLEGATIONS. SIMILARLY, WE TRUST THAT ANY OTHER CONGRESSMAN POSSESSING SUCH DOCUMENTS WILL ALSO MAKE THEM AVAILABLE TO US.
- 5. "FOLLOWING YOUR REVIEW OF THE ENCLOSED MATERIAL, WE WOULD WELCOME THE OPPORTUNITY TO DISCUSS THIS MATTER FURTHER WITH YOU OR THE COMMITTEE'S STAFF. PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO LET ME KNOW, AS WELL, OF ANY OTHER WAY IN WHICH WE CAN BE OF ASSISTANCE."
- 6. ENCLOSURES TO LETTER INCLUDED: (A) STARK LETTER OF DECEMBER 9, (B) DEPARTMENT REPLY OF DECEMBER 20, (C) UNCLASSIFIED

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DEPARTMENT LETTER TO MR. JULYAN OF FEBRUARY 25 WITH ATTACHMENTS, ((D) DEPARTMENT LETTER TO STARK OF MARCH 17 WITH ATTACHMENTS, AND (E) BACKGROUND INFORMATION MATERIAL. INGERSOLL

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